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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED
EXAMINING GROUP 2132

PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 4329.2191-00

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Akito NIWA et al.) Group Art Unit: 2132
Application No.: 09/448,470) Examiner: Zand, Kambiz
Filed: November 24, 1999)
For: ENCRYPTION APPARATUS,)
CRYPTOGRAPHIC)
COMMUNICATION SYSTEM,)
KEY RECOVERY SYSTEM, AND)
STORAGE MEDIUM)

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

In reply to the Office Action mailed March 3, 2004, the period for reply to which having been extended through August 3, 2004, by a Petition for Extension of Time and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicants propose to amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments follow the Amendment sections of this paper beginning on page 12.